Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously presented) A Wireless Application Protocol (WAP) system for delivering voice-based content to a user of a wireless device, comprising:

a WAP Server operative to

receive a voice-based content request from the wireless device;

send instructions to a Voice Portal Node to establish a connection between the wireless device and the Voice Portal Node, in response to receiving the voice-based content request;

the Voice Portal Node comprising an out-bound dialing module operative to initiate a wireless telephone call to the wireless device, in response to receiving the instructions from the WAP server to establish a connection between the wireless device and the Voice Portal Node; and

the WAP Server further operative to provide the voice-based content to the wireless device over the connection.

2. (Currently amended) The WAP system of Claim [[2]]2, wherein the WAP Gateway and the Voice Portal Node communicate over a Transport Control Protocol/Internet Protocol (TCP/IP) data channel.

3. (Original) The WAP system of Claim 2, wherein the WAP Gateway delivers a directory number of the wireless device to the Voice Portal Node over the TCP/IP data channel, thereby enabling the Voice Portal Node to place the call to the wireless device.

4. (Previously presented) The WAP system of Claim 21, wherein the WAP Server and the WAP Gateway communicate over a Transport Control Protocol/Internet Protocol (TCP/IP) data channel.

5. (Previously presented) The WAP system of Claim 1, wherein the Voice Portal Node is further operative to receive the voice-based content from the WAP Server and to deliver the voice-based content to the wireless device.

6. (Previously presented) The WAP system of Claim 5, wherein the voice-based content is delivered to the Voice Portal Node in Voice Extensible Markup Language (VXML) format.

7. (Previously presented) The WAP system of Claim 6, wherein the Voice Portal Node is further operative to convert the voice-based content in VXML format received from the WAP Server to an audio message and to deliver the audio message to the wireless device.

8. (Currently amended) The WAP system of Claim 1, wherein the WAP Server is further operative to send an email message containing the voice-based content ~~in a text form~~ to an email address.

9. (Original) The WAP system of Claim 8, wherein the WAP Server is equipped with an email server operative to format and transmit the email message.

10. (Previously presented) The WAP system of Claim 1, wherein the WAP Server is further operative to simultaneously provide voice-based and text-based content to the wireless device.

11. (Previously presented) A method for delivering voice-based content and text-based content to a Wireless Application Protocol (WAP) device, the method comprising:

establishing a WAP-based connection between the WAP device and a

WAP Server;

after establishing the WAP-based connection between the WAP device and the WAP Server, determining whether the voice-based content is requested;

if the voice-based content is requested, then establishing a telephonic connection between the WAP device and a Voice Portal Node, the Voice Portal Node comprising an out-bound dialing module operative to initiate a wireless telephone call to the WAP device;

receiving the voice-based content from the WAP server; and

delivering the voice-based content to the WAP device over the telephonic connection.

12. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 11, further comprising modifying the delivery of the voice-based content in response to receiving a user instruction over the telephonic connection.

13. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 11, further comprising modifying the delivery of the voice-based information in response to receiving a user instruction over the WAP-based connection.

Claims 14-16 (Canceled).

17. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 11, further comprising prior to delivering the voice-based content to the WAP device over the telephonic connection, translating the voice-based content from a Voice Extensible Markup Language (VXML) format to an audible message.

18. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 11, further comprising translating an audible voice user instruction to a Voice Extensible Markup Language (VXML) format for delivery to the WAP Server.

19. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 11, further comprising:

accessing a WAP-enabled web site associated with the WAP Server; and

transmitting a voice-based content request to the WAP Server, via the WAP-enabled web site.

20. (Previously presented) A Wireless Application Protocol (WAP) system for delivering voice-based content and text-based content to a user of a wireless device, comprising:

a WAP Server operative to

receive a voice-based content request from the wireless device, the voice-based content request including a directory number of the wireless device;

send instructions to a Voice Portal Node to establish a connection between the wireless device and the Voice Portal Node, in response to receiving the voice-based content request;

the Voice Portal Node, comprising an out-bound dialing module operative to initiate a wireless telephone call to the directory number of the wireless device, in response to receiving the instructions from the WAP server to establish a connection between the wireless device and the Voice Portal Node; and

the WAP Server further operative to simultaneously provide the voice-based content and the text-based content to the wireless device.

21. (Previously presented) The system of Claim 1, wherein the WAP Server receives the voice-based content request from the wireless device via a WAP Gateway.

22. (Previously presented) The system of Claim 1, wherein the WAP Server sends the instructions to the Voice Portal Node via a WAP Gateway to establish a connection between the wireless device and the Voice Portal Node.

23. (Canceled).

24. (New) The WAP system of Claim 1, wherein the Voice Portal Node provides a delivery authorization voice prompt to the wireless device for authorization to deliver voice-based content to the cellular device.

25. (New) The WAP system of Claim 2, wherein the Voice Portal Node comprises a gateway between a wireless service provider network and a TCP/IP based Internet.

26. (New) The method of Claim 11, wherein delivering the voice-based content to the WAP device over the telephonic connection comprises forwarding the voice-based content in response to receiving a user authorization response to a delivery authorization voice prompt provided from a Voice Portal Node to the WAP device.

27. (New) The WAP system of Claim 20, further comprising an AIN Central Office and a mobile switching center (MSC) wherein the AIN Central Office routes a wireless telephone call to the MSC when the Voice Portal Node initiates the wireless telephone call to the wireless device by transmitting a call initiation request to the AIN Central Office.